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Date

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#### **TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-150

Sir:

- Enclosed is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement. (X)
- If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the (X) attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this (X) application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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# RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the election/restriction requirement mailed December 14, 2004, applicant elects Group I, claims 1-11, without traverse. Accordingly, please cancel nonelected claims 12-23, without prejudice. A listing of claims is as follows: